

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-07

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E.O. 11652: N/JR  
TAGS: EALR, EMIN, CO  
SUBJ: EL CEREJON COAL

REF: BOGOTA A-78

1. INERCOL (EXXON) WILL BE AWARDED AN ASSOCIATION CONTRACT TO DEVELOP THE GUAJIRA STEAM COAL RESERVES. THE GOVERNMENT WAS VERY PLEASED WITH THE INTERCOL PROPOSAL BECAUSE EXXON COULD MOVE QUICKLY AND GIVE COLOMBIA AN ESCALATING SHARE OF UPWARD PRICE VARIANCES. THE DECISION WAS MADE SEVERAL WEEKS AGO BUT NO ANNOUNCEMENT OR FORMAL AGREEMENT CAN BE MADE UNTIL CARBOCOL, THE COLOMBIAN PARTNER, IS LEGALLY FORMED. THE AGREEMENT SHOULD BECOME OFFICIAL IN ABOUT TEN DAYS.

2. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED UNTIL IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED, BUT SINCE IT IS BECOMING COMMON KNOWLEDGE THERE AND IN MINING CIRCLES, USDOC SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THIS MAJOR PROJECT WILL AT LAST GET OFF THE GROUND. THE PROJECT WILL REQUIRE THE BUILDING OF A PORT, A RAIL LINE, AND THE PURCHASE OF ONE OR MORE GIANT SHOVELS.  
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